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SUBJ: POLAND SIGNS AGREEMENT TO AID PRG

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1. THE WARSAW PRESS ANNOUNCED ON DECMEBER 5 THAT POLAND HAD CON-
CLUDED AN AGFEEMENT TO PROVIDE "PEACEFUL" ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO
THE PRG. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED DURING THE SECOND DAY OF A
VISIT TO POLAND OF A PRG DELEGATION HEADED BY NGUYEN HUU THO,
CHAIRMAN OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE NLF CENTRAL COMMITTEE. ALTHO
NO DETAILS HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED, THE AGREEMENT IS CHARACTERIZED AS
ONE DESIGNED TO SERVE THE "PEACEFUL NEEDS" OF PEOPLE INHABITING
PRG-CONTROLLED TERRAIN IN VIETNAM.

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2. THO ARRIVED IN WARSAW DECEMBER 3 ON A VISIT OF "SEVERAL DAYS" WHOSE PURPOSE, AS ANNOUNCED EARLIER BY THE PRG EMBASSY HERE, IS TO THANK POLAND FOR ITS SUPPORT OF THE PRG CAUSE AND TO "EXPLAIN" THE CURRENT SITUATION IN VIETNAM. THE POLISH PRESS, WHICH IS GIVING THE VISIT PROMINENT COVERAGE, HAS TERMED IT THE FIRST BY A PRG DELEGATION OF SUCH A HIGH LEVEL TO ANY SOCIALIST COUNTRY. ACCOMPANYING THO, ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, ARE PRG FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN THI BINH, VICE FOREIGN MINISTER LE QUANG CHANH, CABINET DIRECTOR HO XUAN SON, AND MFA DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR NGUYEN NHU.

3. THE DEL IS RECEIVING CEREMONIAL HIGH LEVEL TREATMENT FROM THE POLES. COUNCIL OF STATE CHAIRMAN JABLONSKI, WHO WAS AT THE AIRPORT FOR THO'S ARRIVAL DEC. 3, RECEIVED THO AND CO-CHAIRMAN PLENARY DISCUSSIONS AT THE COUNCIL OF STATE, AND LATER MET THE DELEGATION AT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS; JABLONSKI WAS ALSO ON HAND FOR THE FORMAL SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT THE NEXT DAY. VICE PREMIER JOZEF TEJCHMA FILLED IN FOR PREMIER JAROSZEWICZ WHO HAS BEEN ATTENDING MINERS' FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS IN KATOWICE WITH PZPR FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK. ADDITIONALLY, THO'S DEL HAS CONDUCTED TALKS WITH FORNMIN OLSZOWSKI AND OTHERS AT THE MFA.

4. EXCEPT FOR SOME EDITORIAL COMMENTS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (REFTEL) PUBLIC REMARKS AND MEDIA COVERAGE ATTENDING THE VISIT HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY MODERATE. IN A STATEMENT AT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, THO ACCUSED THE USG OF ENCOURAGING AND SUPPORTING THE GVN IN THE LATTER'S ALLEGED SABOTAGE OF THE PARIS AGREEMENTS, CLAIMING THAT THE USG HAS NOT GIVEN UP ITS INVOLVEMENT IN VIETNAM AND ITS NEO-COLONIALIST INTENTIONS. AS REPORTED BY TRYBUNA LUDU, JABLONSKI ATTACKED THE SAIGON REGIME'S ALLEGED SABOTAGING OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, BUT OMITTED ANY REFERENCE TO THE U.S. DAVIES

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